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TITLE OF INVENTION: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR SYNCHRONIZING DATA IN A NETWORKED SYSTEM

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DETAILED ACTION

1. No claims are new. No claims are canceled. No claims are amended. Claims 1-12 are allowed over the prior art of record.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. The following is an Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: After further consideration of the prior art of record, it appears that the prior art of record fails to disclose each and every element of the Applicant's invention.

Specifically, with respect to claim 1, the prior art of record fails to teach and/or suggest a "...modifying an attribute of one of the first plurality of data sets and setting a checksum associated with one of the first plurality of data sets to a predetermined value..." The preceding limitations, when combined with the rest of the claim limitations recited in claim 1, result in a combination of elements that is both novel and non-obvious over the prior art of record.

Furthermore, with respect to claim 7, the prior art of record fails to teach and/or suggest "...the first computer server further configured to modify an attribute of one of the first plurality of data sets and set a checksum associated with one of the first plurality of data sets to a predetermined value..." The preceding limitations, when combined with the rest of the claim limitations recited in claim 7, result in a combination of elements that is both novel and non-obvious over the prior art of record.

3. Any comments considered necessary by Applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue

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